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Block Island Sound – Point Judith to Montauk Point

NOAA Chart 13215

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What are Nautical Charts?

Nautical charts are a fundamental tool of marine navigation. They show water depths, obstructions, buoys, other aids to navigation, and much more. The information is shown in a way that promotes safe and efficient navigation. Chart carriage is mandatory on the commercial ships that carry America's commerce. They are also used on every Navy and Coast Guard ship, fishing and passenger vessels, and are widely carried by recreational boaters.

What is a BookletChart[™]?

This BookletChart is made to help recreational boaters locate themselves on the water. It has been reduced in scale for convenience, but otherwise contains all the information of the full-scale nautical chart. The bar scales have also been reduced, and are accurate when used to measure distances in this BookletChart. See the Note at the bottom of page 5 for the reduction in scale applied to this chart.

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(Selected Excerpts from Coast Pilot)
Block Island Sound is a deep navigable
waterway forming the eastern approach to
Long Island Sound, Fishers Island Sound, and
Gardiners Bay from the Atlantic Ocean. It has
two entrances from the Atlantic: an eastern
entrance from Rhode Island Sound between
Block Island and Point Judith, and a southern
entrance between Block Island and Montauk
Point. The sound is connected with Long
Island Sound by The Race and other passages

to the southwest, and with Fishers Island Sound by several passages between rocky reefs from Watch Hill Point to East Point, Fishers Island. The deep water in the central part of Block Island Sound will accommodate vessels of the greatest draft.

Westward of Gardiners Island, enclosed between the northeastern and eastern ends of Long Island, are Gardiners Bay, Shelter Island Sound, Little Peconic Bay, and Great Peconic Bay. This area is well protected but generally shallow, and is not suited for deep-draft vessels. The shoreline is marked by many indentations and shallow harbors. These waters are much used by commercial fishing vessels and small pleasure craft because of the protection afforded and the many anchorages.

Block Island North Reef is a sand shoal with a least depth of 11 feet extending 1 mile northward from Sandy Point at the north end of Block Island. The shoal should be avoided by all vessels; its depths change frequently, and its position is also subject to a slow change. It is steep-to on all sides, so that soundings alone cannot be depended on to clear it. A lighted bell buoy is 1.5 miles northward of the point.

Southwest Ledge, 5.5 miles west-southwestward of Block Island Southeast Light, has a least known depth of 21 feet and is marked on its southwest side by Southwest Ledge Lighted Whistle Buoy 2. Rocky patches extend 1.5 miles northeastward from the ledge. The sea breaks on the shoaler places on the ledge in heavy weather.

Several other dangers that must be guarded against are northward and westward of Southwest Ledge Lighted Whistle Buoy 2. These dangers are: 37-foot sounding, marked by a lighted buoy, about 2.2 mile 280° from the lighted whistle buoy and numerous rocks up to 1.1 miles north of the lighted whistle buoy.

The deepest passage in the southern entrance to Block Island Sound is just westward of Southwest Ledge and has a width of over 2 miles; this is the best passage for deep draft vessels. The area between Southwest Ledge Lighted Whistle Buoy 2 and Block Island Sound South Entrance Obstruction Lighted Buoy BIS is known locally as Montauk Channel. Mariners should keep in mind that vessels with a draft in excess of 38 feet will not be allowed to transit this area. Further, pilots using Montauk Channel shall consider draft, sea and swell, wind, visibility, current and vessel traffic. When these conditions pose a threat to the safety of any person, vessel, prudent navigation or safety of the environment, Montauk Channel shall not be used.

Between the inner patch of rocks and the shoals, which extend 0.9 mile from Block Island, is a channel 1.3 miles wide, with a depth of about 31 feet. Vessels using this channel should round the southwest end of Block Island at a distance of 1.5 miles.

The entrance between Point Judith and Block Island is used by vessels coming from the bays and sounds eastward to Long Island Sound. The route generally used is through The Race. This entrance is clear with the exception of Block Island North Reef and the numerous large boulders extending about 4 miles south-southeastward of Point Judith. The coast from Point Judith nearly to Watch Hill should be given a berth of over 1 mile, avoiding the broken ground with depths less than 30 feet.

Pilotage, Block Island Sound and Long Island Sound.—Pilotage is compulsory for foreign flag vessels and U.S. vessels which are under register (i.e. engaged in foreign trade) in Block Island Sound and Long Island Sound. Vessels should not enter Block Island Sound or Long Island Sound without a state licensed pilot. See Pilotage, Long Island Sound (indexed as such), chapter 8. The Point Judith Pilot Station is the primary pilot boarding location for entry into Block Island Sound and Long Island Sound. Vessels bound for Long Island Sound ports may board pilots at the Point Judith Pilot Station, centered on 41°17.0'N., 71°30.5'W. There is a secondary pilot station which may be used with special arrangement at any point south of the Montauk Point Pilot Station, centered on 41°02.0'N., 71°42.0'W.

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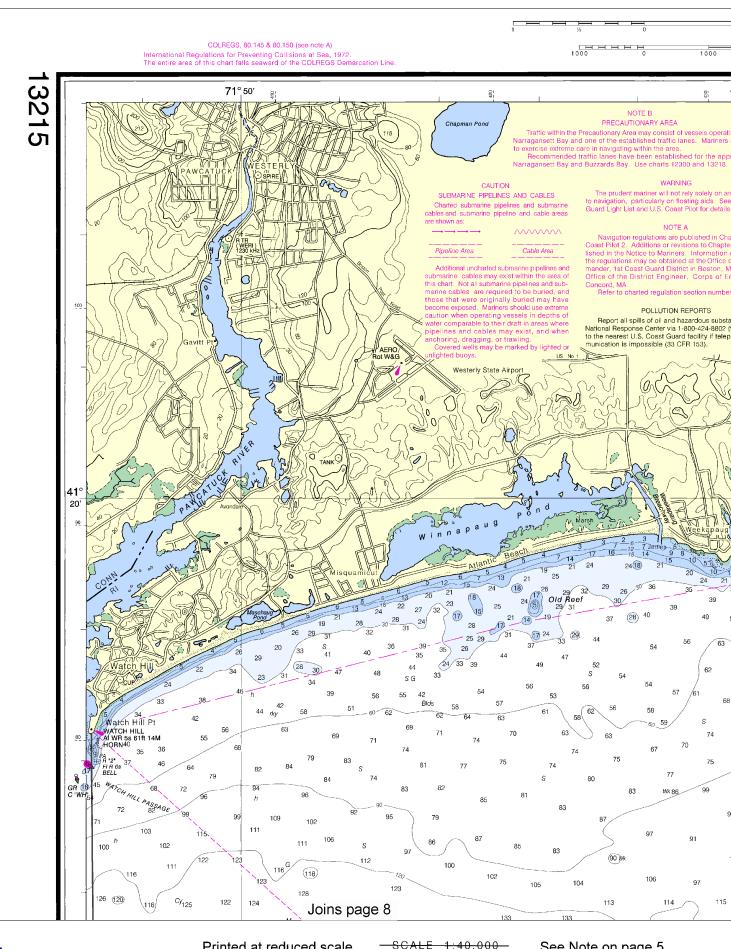
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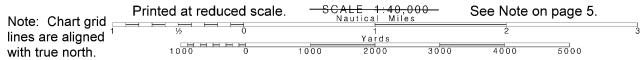
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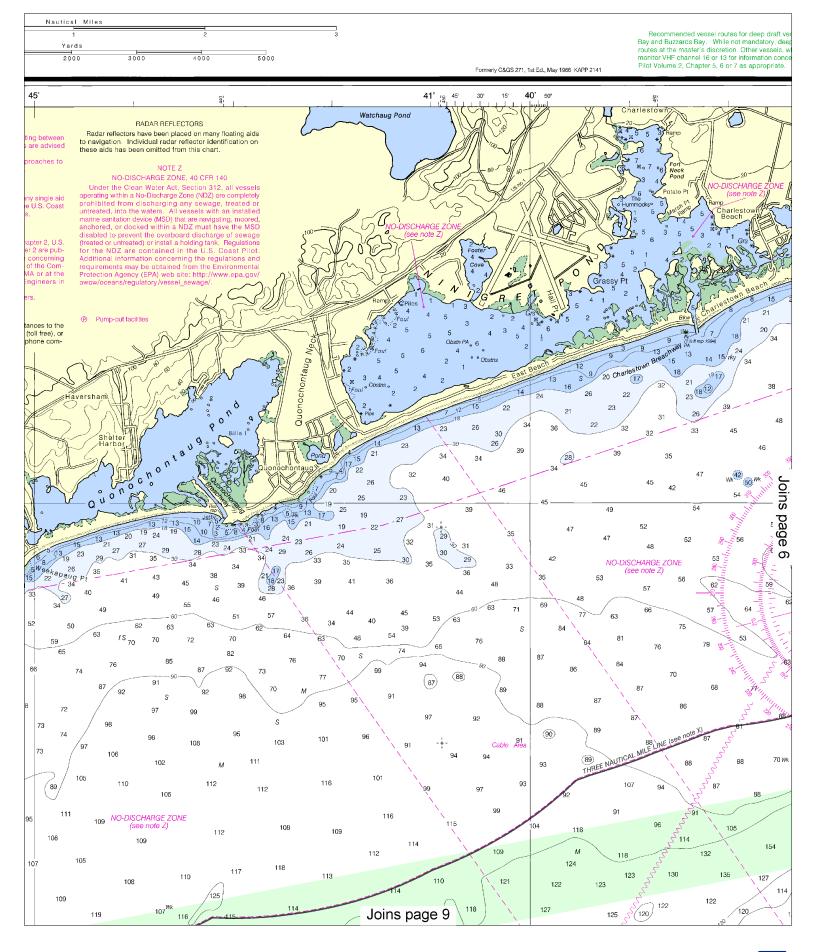
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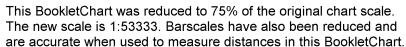
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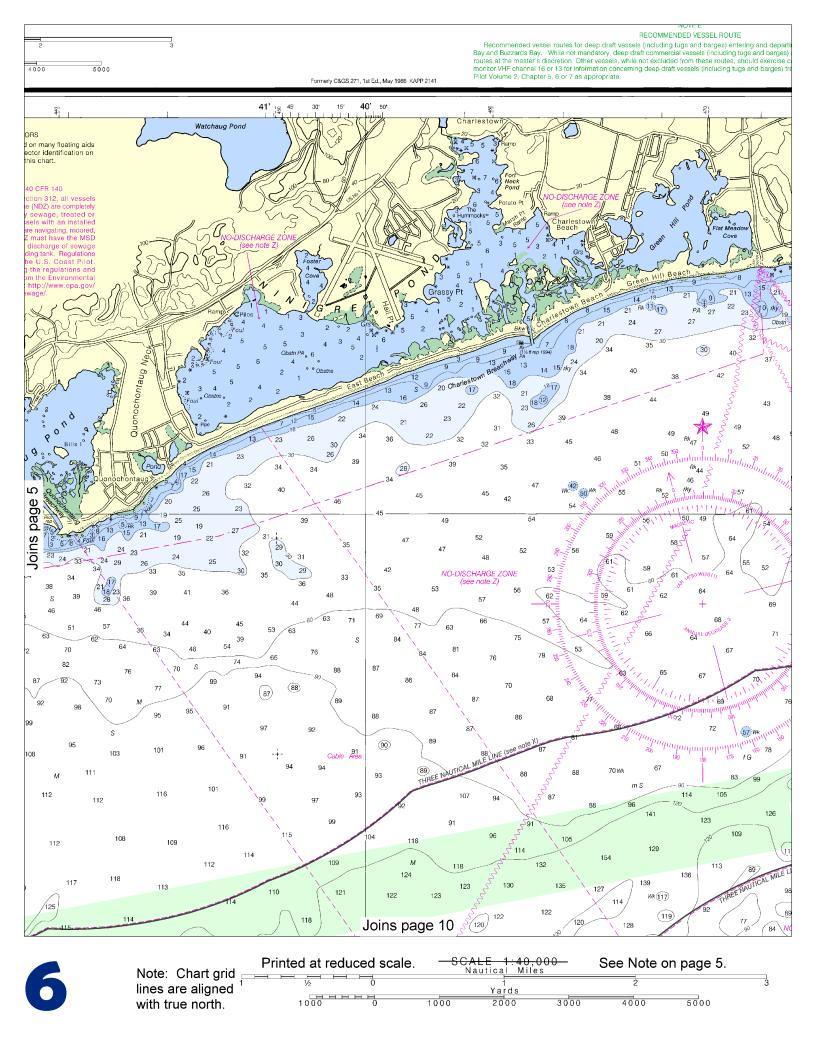
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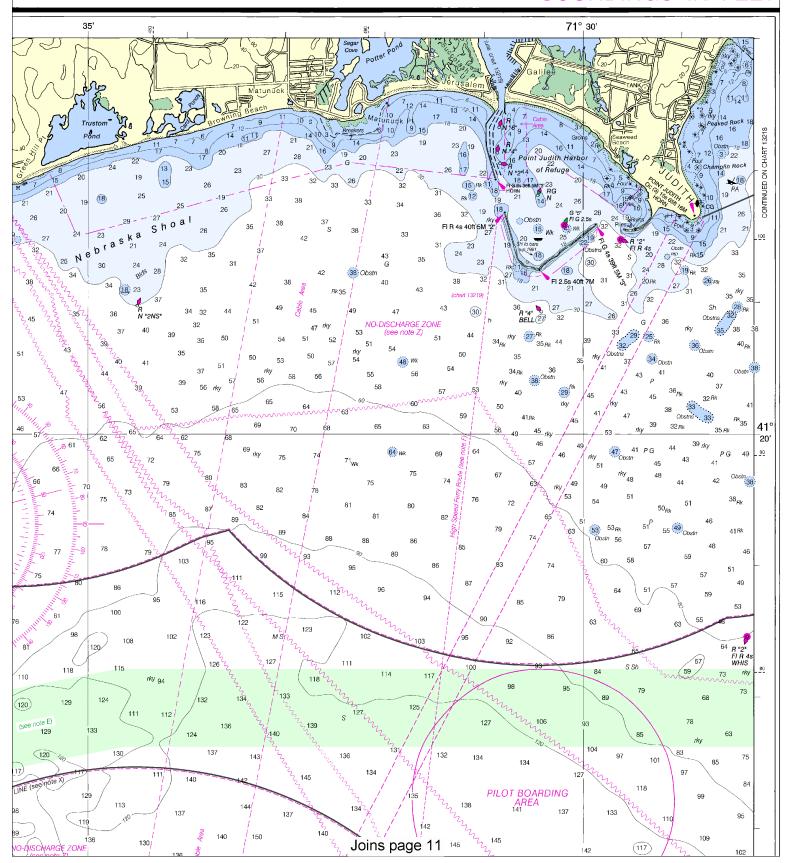


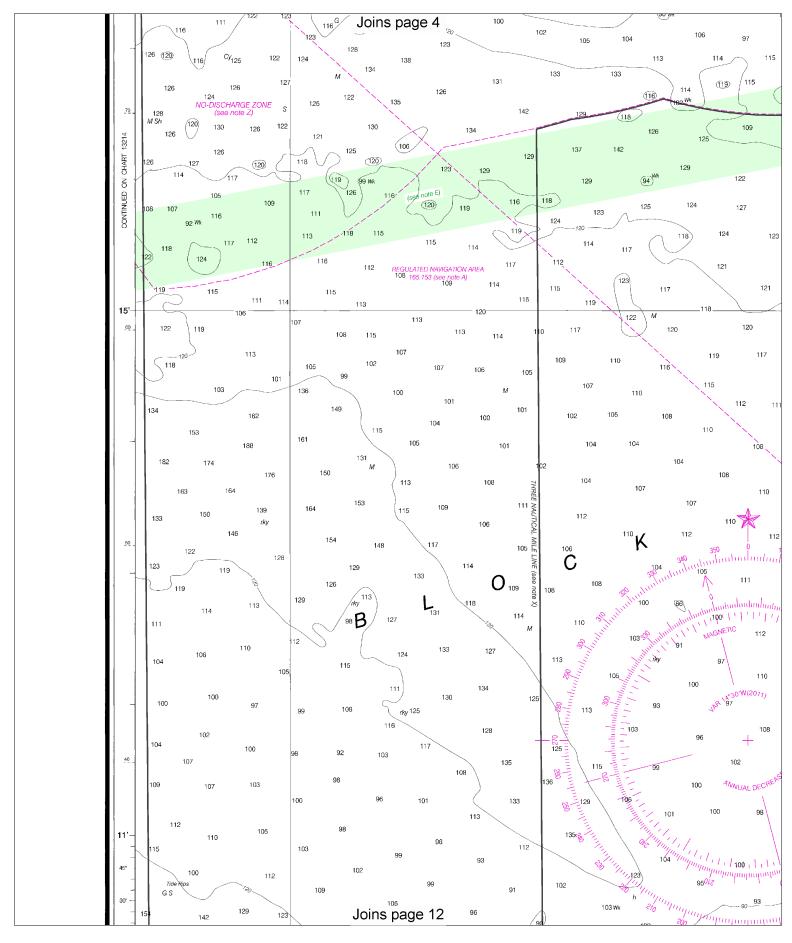


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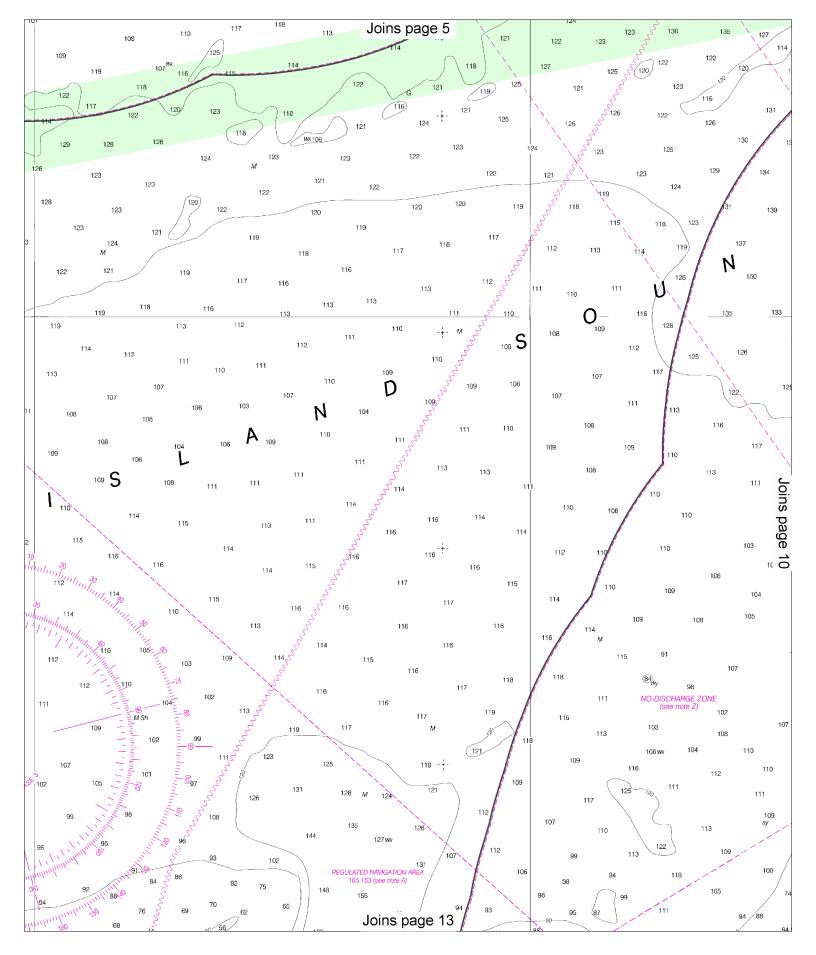
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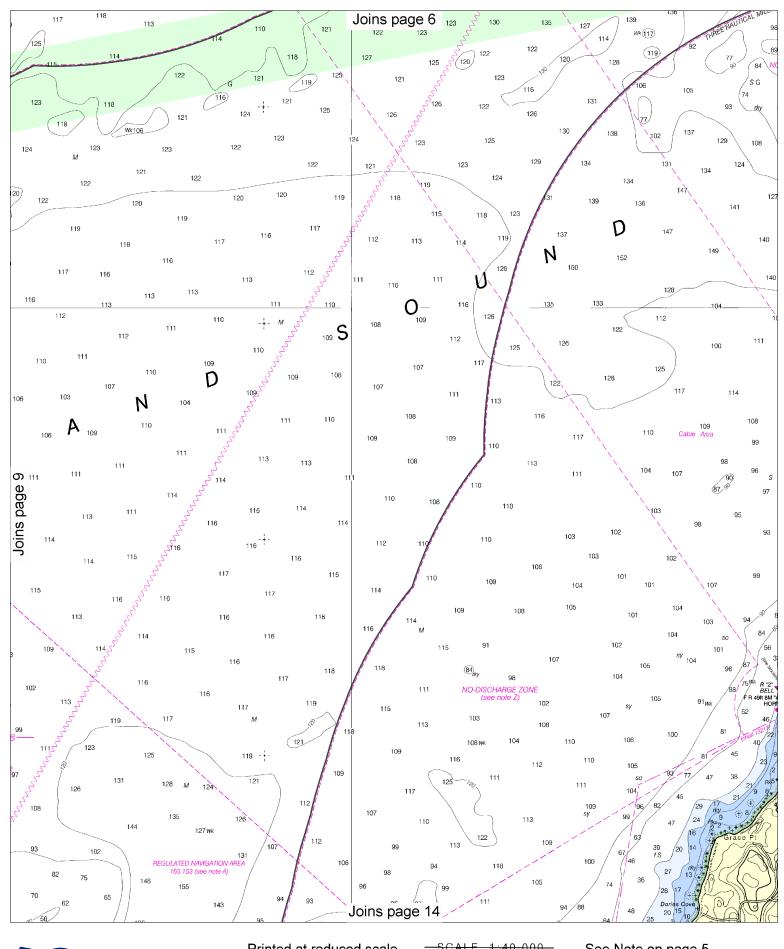
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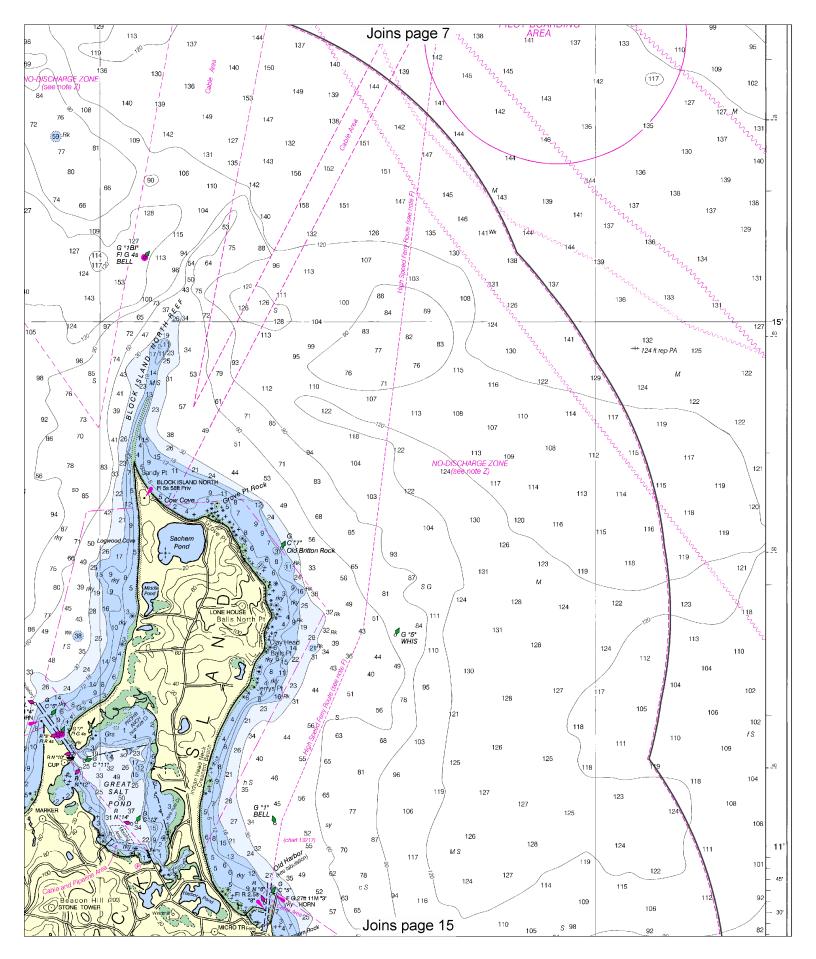
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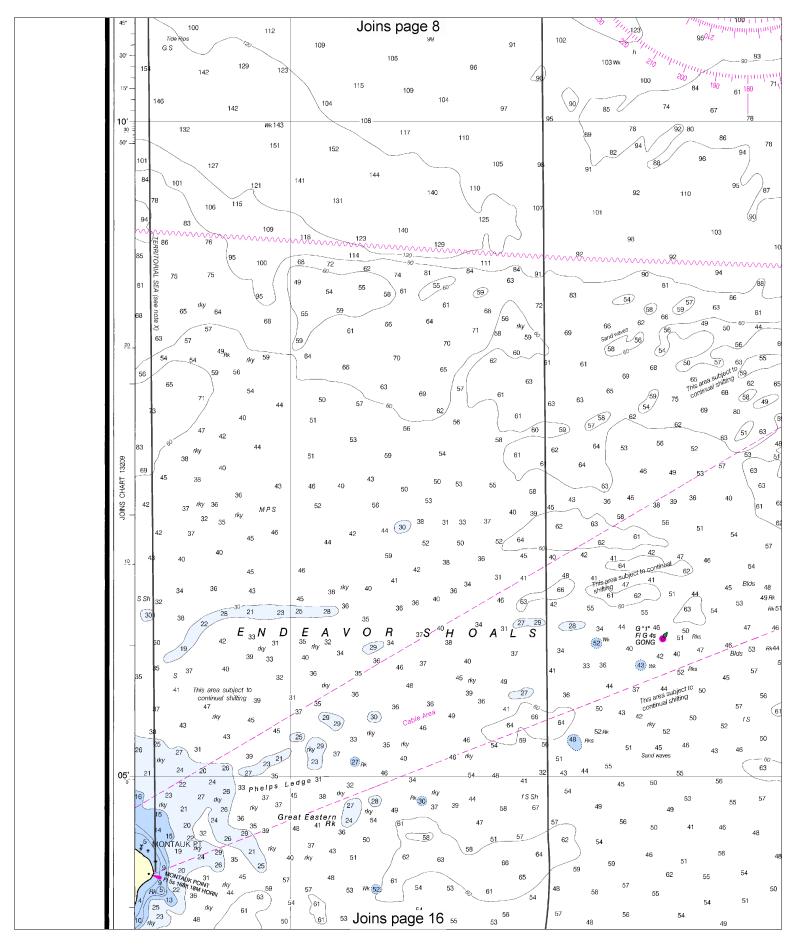
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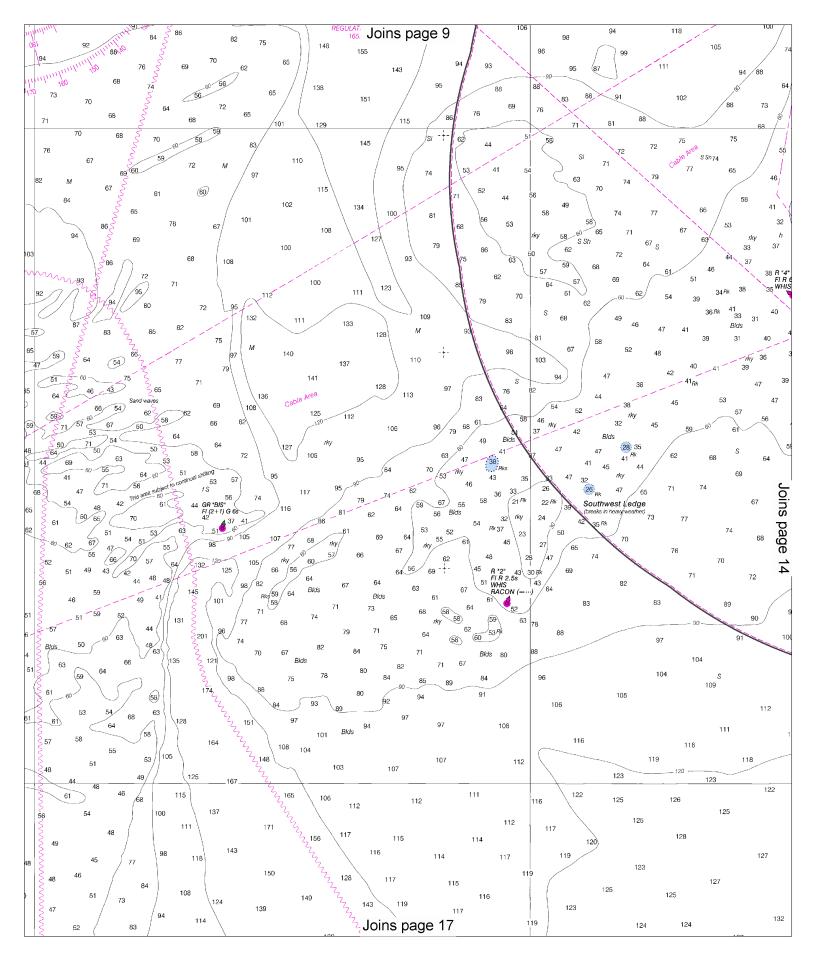
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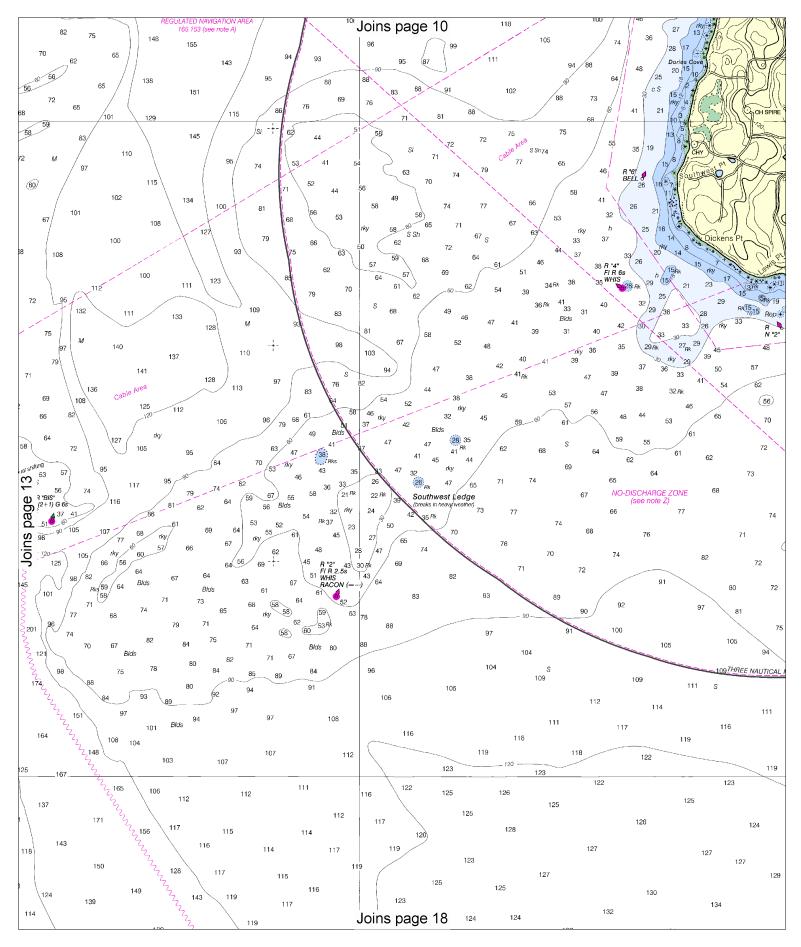




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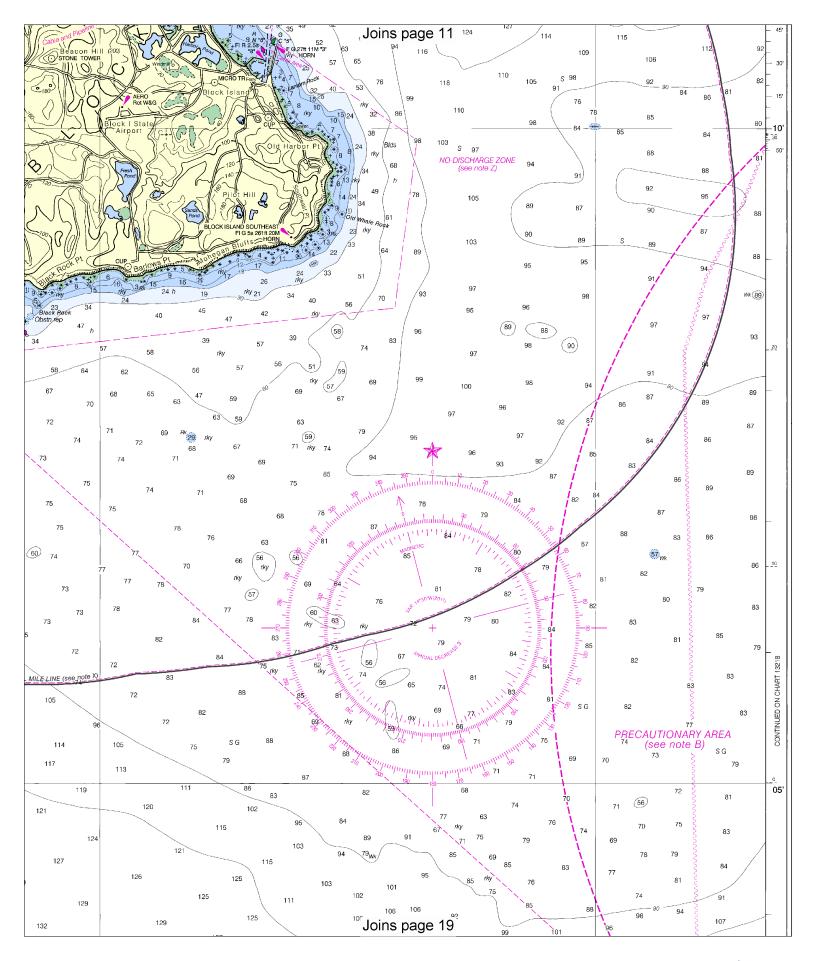
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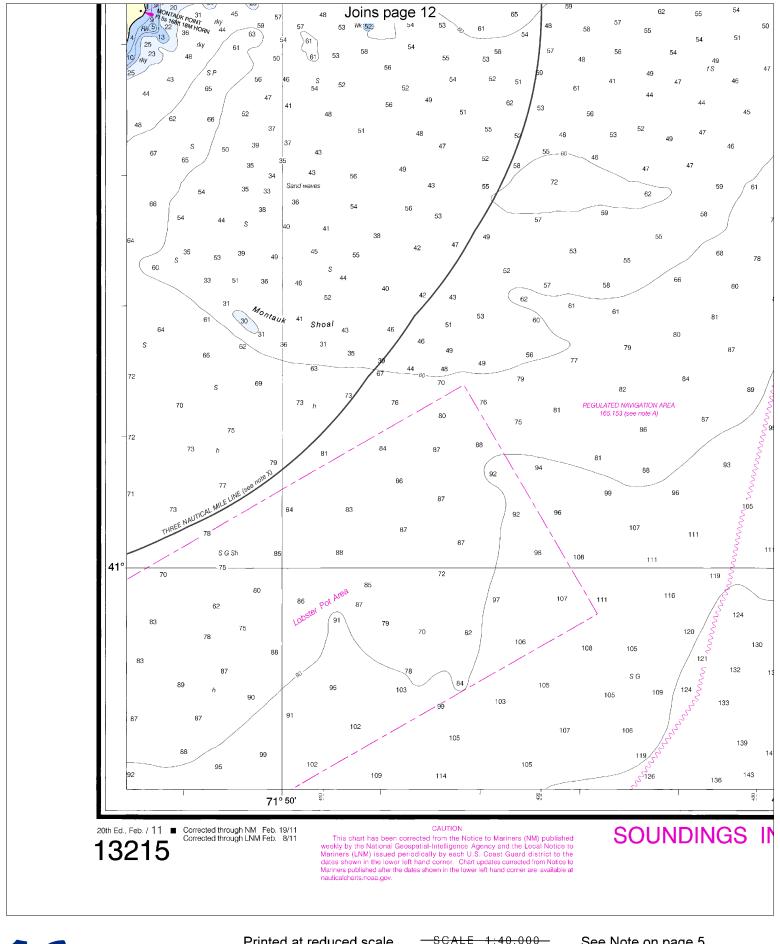
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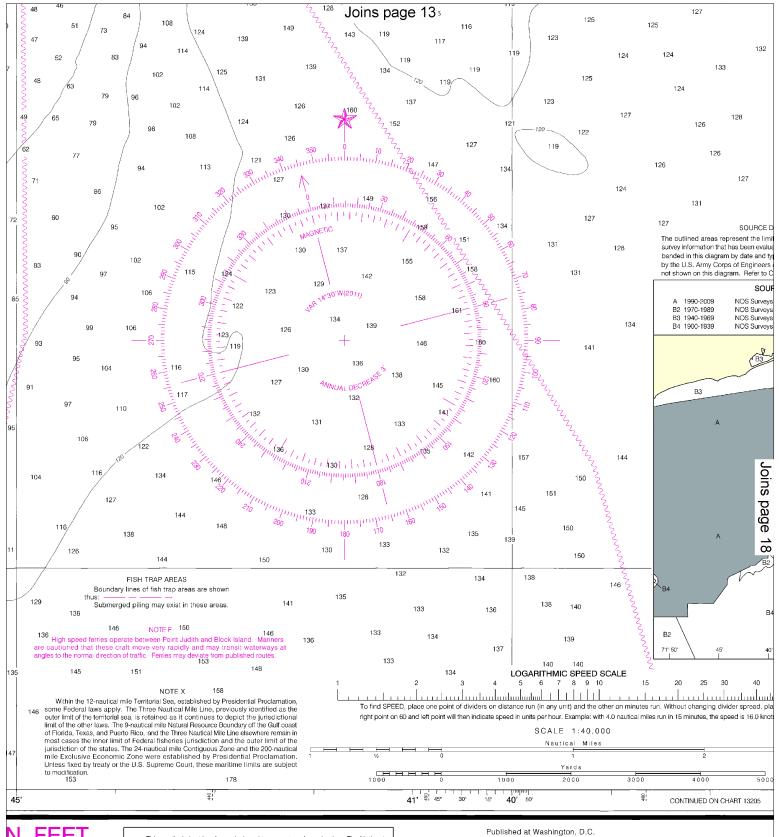
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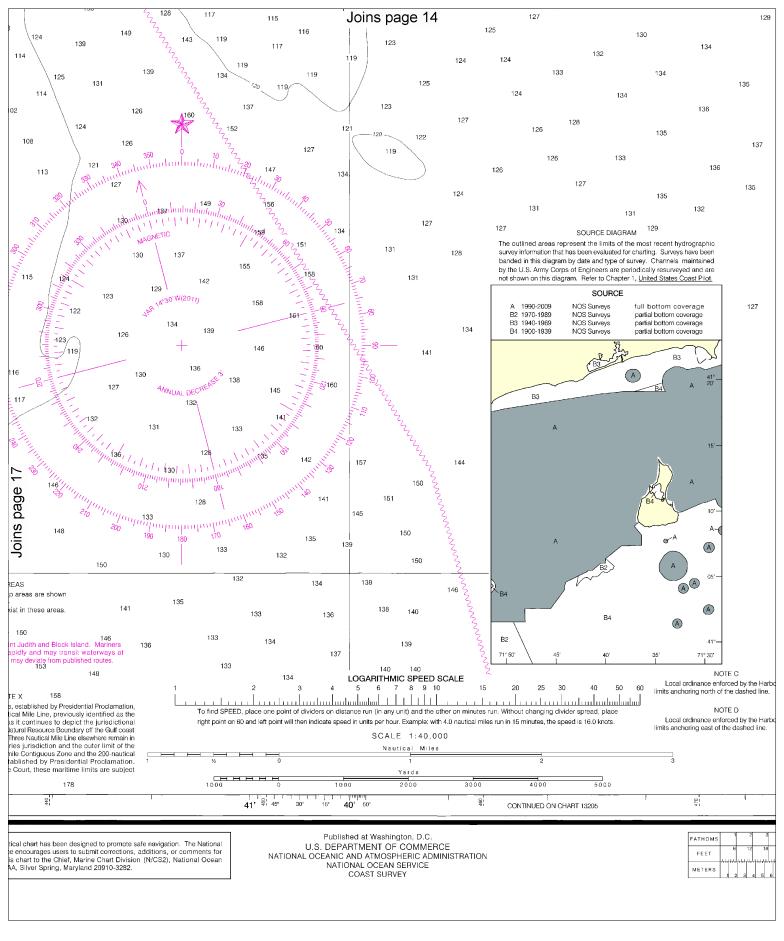
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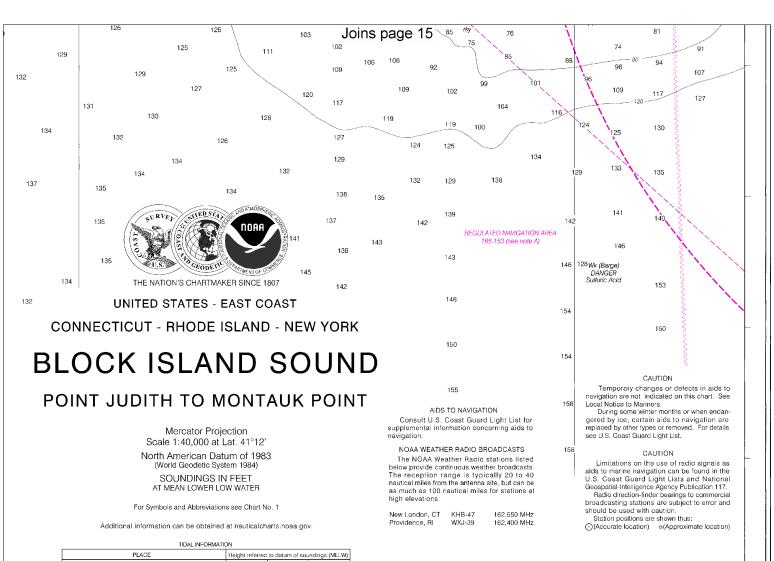
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PLACE		Height referred to datum of soundings (MLLW)		
NAME	(LAT/LONG)	Mean Higher High Water	Mean High Water	Mean Low Water
		feet	feet	feet
Point Judith	(41°22'N/71°29'W)	3.4	3.1	0.1
Watch Hill Point	(41°18'N/71°52'W)	2.9	2.7	0.1
Block Island, Old Harbor	(41°10'N/71°33'W)	3.2	3.0	0.1
Montauk Point	(41°04'N/71°52'W)	2.9	2.6	0.1

tide predictions, and tidal current predictions are available on the Internet from http://tidesandcurrents.noaa.gov.

HEIGHTS

Elevations of rocks, bridges, landmarks and ights are in feet and refer to Mean High Water. Contour and summit elevation values are in feet and refer to Mean Sea Level.

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Hydrography and topography by the National Ocean Service, Coast Survey, with additional data from the Corps of Engineers, Geological Survey, and U.S. Coast Guard.

PLANE COORDINATE GRID

(based on NAD 1927) The Rhode Island State Grid is indicated on this

chart at 10,000 foot intervals thus The last three digits are omitted

HORIZONTAL DATUM

The horizontal reference datum of this chart is North American Datum of 1983 (NAD 83), which for charting purposes is considered equivalent to the World Geodetic System 1984 (WGS 84). Geographic positions referred to the North American Datum of 1927 must be corrected an average of 0.364" northward and 1.777" eastward to agree with this chart.

CAUTION

Improved channels shown by broken lines are subject to shoaling, particularly at the edges.

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION Consult U.S. Coast Pilot 2 for important

supplemental information.

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BLOCK ISLAND CHANNEL DEPTHS

- A. EXCEPT FOR SHOALING TO 14.1 FEET WITHIN 5 FEET OF EAST CHANNEL LIMIT B. EXCEPT FOR SHOALING TO 13.9 FEET WITHIN 10 FEET OF WEST CHANNEL LIMIT
- B. EXCEPT FOR SHOALING TO 49 FEET WITHIN TO FEET OF EAST AND SOUTH CHANNEL LIMITS.

 D. EXCEPT FOR SHOALING TO 10.1 FEET WITHIN 10 FEET OF EAST AND SOUTH CHANNEL LIMITS.

 D. EXCEPT FOR SHOALING TO 10.1 FEET WITHIN 10 FEET OF THE END OF THE CHANNEL.

 F. EXCEPT FOR SHOALING TO 4.0 FEET WITHIN 40 FEET OF THE END OF THE CHANNEL.

 F. EXCEPT FOR SHOALING TO 4.0 FEET WITHIN 40 FEET OF ANCHORAGE LIMITS; ENCROACHMENT BY FERRY DOCK,
- PILES AND TWO DOLPHINS AT FERRY LANDING.

71°30'

EXCEPT FOR SHOALING TO 7.5 FEET WITHIN 20 FEET OF EASTERN BASIN LIMITS.
 LIXCEPT FOR SHOALING TO 7.7 FEET ALONG CHANNEL LIMIT BEGINNING 200 FEET SEAWARD OF BUOY 7.
 NOTE - CONSULT THE CORPS OF ENGINEERS FOR CHANGES SUBSEQUENT TO THE ABOVE INFORMATION

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SOUNDINGS IN FEET - SCALE 1:40,000

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VHF Marine Radio channels for use on the waterways:

Channel 6 – Inter-ship safety communications.

Channel 9 – Communications between boats and ship-to-coast.

Channel 13 – Navigation purposes at bridges, locks, and harbors.

Channel 16 – Emergency, distress and safety calls to Coast Guard and others, and to initiate calls to other

vessels. Contact the other vessel, agree to another channel, and then switch.

Channel 22A – Calls between the Coast Guard and the public. Severe weather warnings, hazards to navigation and safety warnings are broadcast here. Channels 68, 69, 71, 72 and 78A – Recreational boat channels.

Getting and Giving Help — Signal other boaters using visual distress signals (flares, orange flag, lights, arm signals); whistles; horns; and on your VHF radio. You are required by law to help boaters in trouble. Respond to distress signals, but do not endanger yourself.

Distress Call Procedures

- Make sure radio is on.
- Select Channel 16.
- Press/Hold the transmit button.
- Clearly say: "MAYDAY, MAYDAY, MAYDAY."
- Also give: Vessel Name and/or Description; Position and/or Location; Nature of

Emergency; Number of People on Board.

- · Release transmit button.
- Wait for 10 seconds If no response Repeat MAYDAY call.

HAVE ALL PERSONS PUT ON LIFE JACKETS!



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